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TAGS: CDES; EC (SWISTON, MICHAEL ALAN)  
SUBJ: REPORT OF DEATH

FOR: MR. & MRS. STANLEY J. SWISTON  
16312 CALAHAN ST.  
SEPULVEDA, CALIF 91343

1. IT IS WITH PROFOUND REGRET THAT I MUST INFORM YOU OF THE DEATH OF YOUR SON, MICHAEL SWISTON. YOUR SON DIED IN A TRAFFIC ACCIDENT ON 11 FEBRUARY 1977, IN GUAYAQUIL, ECUADOR.
2. REGRETFULLY, I MUST DRAW YOUR ATTENTION TO THE NEED TO MAKE URGENT ARRANGEMENTS. LOCAL LAW REQUIRES FOR SHIPMENT BE MADE WITHIN 48 HOURS AFTER DEATH. WHILE THE SHIP AND THE CONSULATE WILL TAKE CARE OF ALL ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE RETURN OF YOUR SON'S BODY TO THE U.S., WE NEED TO KNOW THE EXACT ADDRESS TO WHICH THE BODY SHOULD BE SENT.
3. PLEASE TELEGRAM YOUR INSTRUCTIONS DIRECTLY TO THE AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL, GUAYAQUIL, ECUADOR. YOU MAY WISH TO HAVE A FUNERAL HOME IN THE U.S. MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR YOU.
4. UPON RECEIPT OF YOUR INSTRUCTIONS WE WILL ATTEMPT TO CARRY THEM OUT AS PROMPTLY AS POSSIBLE. WE ESTIMATE THAT TWO DAYS WILL BE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS.

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5. IF YOU WISH, YOU MAY CONTACT THE CONSULAR SECTION OF THIS CONSULATE GENERAL BY PHONING 511-570 IN GUAYAQUIL ECUADOR.
6. PLEASE BE ASSURED OF MY DEEPEST SYMPATHY IN YOUR BEREAVEMENT.  
AMCONSUL  
GUAYAQUIL, ECUADOR

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